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Philadelphia, May 28th, 1886.

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Hoping to have some explanation made of this remarkable occurrence, I remain,

Yours very truly,

Rich^d Ashurst

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